27 October 1954

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Proposed 1955 Legislation - Deputy Directors and General Counsel

- 1. Mr. Pforzheimer drew a proposed bill in November 1953 which, among other things, raised the DCI's salary to \$20,000, THE DDCI's to \$18,000, and, in addition, provided for six Deputy Directors at salaries of \$16,000. The other provisions of the proposed bill were minor.
- 2. After considerable discussion with Mr. Pforzheimer, we now believe that instead of authorizing six Deputy Directors with salaries of \$16,000 each, we should provide for six "principal assistants," one of whom would be the General Counsel, and duties would be as specified by the Director. The principal assistants' salaries should be that of Assistant Secretaries of the Executive Departments, so that they would rank with Assistant Secretaries and receive the benefit of any salary increases granted Assistant Secretaries.
- 3. It would seem easy to justify an Assistant Secretary's salary for the General Counsel. The General Counsels of the Department of Defense (Reorganization Plan No. 6 of 1953) and of the Department of Commerce (Public Law 607, 83rd Congress, 2nd Sess.) receive such salaries as does the Legal Advisor of the Department of State. All three are appointed by the President and subject to Senate confirmation. The General Counsel of the Atomic Energy Commission is appointed by the Commission and receives compensation at a rate determined by it not to exceed \$16,000 (Sec. 25b, Public Law 703, 83rd Congress, 2nd Sess.).

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